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SUBJECT: GRUNK DELEGATION IN TUNIS

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1. LOCAL PRESS SEPT 8 CARRIED PROMINENTLY STORY OF ARRIVAL SEPT 7 OF GRUNK "FONMIN SARIN CHHAK RPT SARIN CHHAK WHO SAID HE IS BRINGING PERSONAL MESSAGE FYOM SIHANOUK TO BOURGUIBA. WILL BE HERE THREE DAYS. HE WAS MET AT AIRPORT BY FON MIN CHATTI AS WELL AS BY LIBYAN AND CHINESE CHARGES. STORY IN BOTH FRENCH PAPERS INCLUDED UNUSUALLY DETAILED TEXT AS COMPARED WITH USUAL ARRIVAL NOTICES OF DELEGATIONS FROM COUNTRIES IN WHOM GOT ONLY PERIPHERALLY INTERESTED.

2. GRUNK "FONMIN" QUOTED AT LENGTH PRAISING BOURGUIBA, THANKING HIM FOR RECOGNIZING GRUNK AS SOLE LEGITIMATE GOVERNMENT OF CAMBODIA, AS, HE SAID, 62 GOVERNMENTS NOW HAVE DONE. CHHAK DESCRIBED GKR OFFER OF UNCON-

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DITIONAL NEGOTIATIONS AS AN ATTEMPT TO FOOL PEOPLE

UNINFORMED ABOUT CAMBODIAN AFFAIRS, AND BOASTED OF
GRUNK ACHIEVEMENTS IN MILITARY, POLITICAL AND
ECONOMIC FIELDS.

3. COMMENT: WE ARE SURPRISED BY RELATIVELY HEAVY
PRESS COVERAGE OF ARRIVAL. WHILE IT MAY HAVE NO
MEANING AT ALL, IT IS POSSIBLE THAT GOT DECIDED TO
EMPHASIZE GRUNK VIEWPOINT IN THIS WAY AS INDICATION
THAT GOT WILL MORE ACTIVELY SUPPORT GRUNK ASPIRATIONS
THAN HERETOFORE.
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